GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG FILLING STATIONS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) filling stations/Auto Gas Stations in the country, State-wise ;

(b) whether the number of vehicles authorised to run on Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) is on the high side in comparison to the available facility of LPG supply ;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up more LPG filling stations/Auto gas stations in the country during 2007-2008 ;

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise ; and

(f) the other corrective steps proposed to be taken by the Government to meet the demand ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a), (d), (e) & (f): Government have permitted the sale of auto-LPG for vehicles vide Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Regulation of Use in Motor Vehicle) Order, 2001. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) set up Auto LPG Dispensing Stations (ALDS) based on their commercial considerations and upon the availability of suitable sites in various cities to meet the requirement of auto LPG.At present, OMCs are operating 181 ALDS in the country and propose to set up 251 more ALDS in the country during the year 2007-08. The details are at Annex-I and Annex-II respectively.

(b) & (c) : While the vehicles are authorized to run on LPG by the State Governments, OMCs are meeting the demand of auto LPG through their refineries / imports.